

## ABSTRACT

A library system (10) includes a host computer (12), a library unit (16), and a communication apparatus (18) for  
5 connecting the host computer and the library unit. In a cabinet (22), the library unit includes a recording medium storage (30) divided into a plurality of storage stations (30<sub>0</sub>, 30<sub>1</sub>, 30<sub>2</sub>), and a recording medium reproduction section (32) divided into a plurality of reproduction stations (32<sub>0</sub>,  
10 32<sub>1</sub>, 32<sub>2</sub>) corresponding to the storage stations. The storage stations cooperate with the corresponding reproduction stations to compose virtual units (36<sub>0</sub>, 36<sub>1</sub>, 36<sub>2</sub>), respectively. The host computer is provided with applications (44<sub>0</sub>, 44<sub>1</sub>, 44<sub>2</sub>) corresponding to the virtual  
15 units to control the virtual units individually.

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